Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A fuel system for a work vehicle comprising:

an integrated fuel tank, the integrated fuel tank including a fuel tank and a filler tube, the fuel tank and the filler tube being one piece; and

a counterweight having a complementary portion, the complementary portion comprising a step capable of supporting an operator and a hole of sufficient size to allow passage of the filler tube, the hole being located in the step, the integrated tank and the counterweight being arranged to allow the filler tube to pass through and be surrounded by the complementary portion.

2. (Original) The fuel system of claim 1, further comprising a cradle, the cradle supporting and surrounding lower portions of the integrated fuel tank.

3. The fuel system of claim 2, further comprising a vehicle frame wherein the cradle is attached to the vehicle frame.

4. (Original) The fuel system of claim 3, wherein the cradle holds the integrated fuel tank in place.

5. (Previously amended) The fuel system of claim 1, further comprising a hinged door, the hinged door forming a part of the complementary portion of the counterweight.

6. (Original) The fuel system of claim 5, wherein the hinged door has a shape that conforms to a shape of adjacent portions of the counterweight when the hinged door is in a closed position.

7. (Original) The fuel system of claim 4, wherein the cradle is made of metal.

8. (Original) The fuel system of claim 1, wherein the integrated fuel tank comprises molded plastic.

9. (Previously presented) A fuel system for a work vehicle comprising:

an integrated fuel tank, the integrated fuel tank including a fuel tank and a filler tube, the fuel tank and the filler tube integrated as one piece; and

a counterweight having a complementary portion, the complementary portion

comprising a hole of sufficient size to allow passage of the filler tube, the integrated tank and counterweight being arranged to allow the filler tube to pass through and be surrounded by the complementary portion;

a cradle, the cradle supporting and surrounding lower portions of the integrated fuel tank; and

a vehicle frame wherein the cradle is attached to the vehicle frame and wherein a top portion of the integrated fuel tank includes a hold down groove.

10. (Original) The fuel system of claim 9, further comprising a hold down strap, the hold down strap attached to at least one of the frame and the cradle, the hold down strap cooperating with the hold down groove to keep the lower portions of the integrated fuel tank supported and surrounded by the cradle.

11. (Currently amended) A work vehicle comprising:

a vehicle frame;

ground engaging wheels;

an integrated fuel tank, the integrated fuel tank including a fuel tank and a filler tube, the fuel tank and the filler tube being one piece; and

a counterweight having a complementary portion, the complementary portion comprising a step capable of supporting an operator and a hole of sufficient size to allow passage of the filler tube, the hole being located in the step, the integrated fuel tank and the counterweight being arranged to allow the filler tube to pass through and be surrounded by the complementary portion.

12. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 11, further comprising a cradle, the cradle supporting and surrounding lower portions of the integrated fuel tank.

13. (Previously amended)The work vehicle of claim 12, wherein the cradle is attached to the vehicle frame.

14. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 13, wherein the cradle holds the integrated fuel tank in place.

15. (Currently amended) The work vehicle of claim 11, further comprising a hinged door, the hinged door forming a part of the complementary portion of the counterweight.

16. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 15, wherein the hinged door has a shape that conforms to a shape of adjacent portions of the counterweight when the hinged door is in a closed position.

17. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 14, wherein the cradle is made of metal.

18. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 11, wherein the integrated fuel tank comprises molded plastic.

19. (Previously presented) A work vehicle comprising:

a vehicle frame;

ground engaging wheels;

an integrated fuel tank, the integrated fuel tank including a fuel tank and a filler tube, the fuel tank and the filler tube integrated as one piece; and

a counterweight having a complementary portion, the complementary portion comprising a hole of sufficient size to allow passage of the filler tube, the integrated fuel tank and counterweight being arranged to allow the filler tube to pass through and be surrounded by the complementary portion;

a cradle, the cradle supporting and surrounding lower portions of the integrated fuel tank, wherein the cradle is attached to the vehicle frame and wherein a top portion of the integrated fuel tank includes a hold down groove.

20. (Original) The work vehicle of claim 19, further comprising a hold down strap, the hold down strap attached to at least one of the frame and the cradle, the hold down strap cooperating with the hold down groove to keep the lower portions of the integrated fuel tank supported and surrounded by the cradle.

21. (New) The fuel system of claim 5, wherein the hinged door has a first and a second position, the hinged door covering the filler tube in the first position, the hinged door uncovering the filler tube in the second position.

22. (New) The work vehicle of claim 15, wherein the hinged door has a first and a second position, the hinged door covering the filler tube in the first position, the hinged door uncovering the filler tube in the second position.